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## **BLM's Resource Advisory Council to Meet November 30**

BUTTE (November 16, 2005) – The Western Montana Resource Advisory Council for the Bureau of Land Management is scheduled to meet November 30 in Butte starting at 9:00 am. The meeting, which is open to the public, will be held at the Butte Field Office Conference Room, 106 North Parkmont.

Topics for this meeting are: orientation of new council members, the travel planning process for the Butte Resource Management Plan and updates from the Butte, Dillon and Missoula Field Offices. The public comment period is scheduled for 11:30 am.

Interested parties may make oral statements before the Council or file written statements for the Council to consider. Depending on the number of persons wishing to make comments, a per-person time limit may be established.

The purpose of the Council is to advise the Secretary of Interior, through the BLM, on a variety of issues associated with public land management. The 15-member Council includes individuals who have expertise or education in the planning and management of public lands and resources. Members for the Western Montana Council include: Sue Marxer and Jack Kirkley - Dillon, Mitzi Rossillon and Robin McCulloch - Butte, Donna McDonald - Alder, Garry Williams - Helena, Ben Deeble - Missoula, Richard Young, Dennis Phillippi, Joyceann Thompson, and Pat Flowers - Bozeman, Robin Cunningham - Gallatin Gateway, David Schulz – Virginia City, Francis Auld – Pablo, and Dan Lucas, Philipsburg.